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TO: School Superintendent/Transportation Director

SUBJECT: PUBLIC WORKSHOPS TO DISCUSS LOWER-EMISSION SCHOOL BUS

PROGRAM APPLICATION

The California Air Resources Board (ARB) and the California Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA) invite you to participate in a series of public workshops to discuss the Lower-Emission School Bus Program. The Lower-Emission School Bus Program provides incentive grants to reduce school children's exposure to harmful pollutants through new bus purchases and through the installation of retrofit technologies on existing buses.

At the workshops, ARB will provide a program overview and discuss the application process and available technologies for retrofits. The workshop will also provide an opportunity to meet with vendors and to receive application assistance. Workshop materials will be available prior to the workshops at http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/schoolbus/schoolbus.htm.

To RSVP or to receive further information about the workshops, contact the Lower Emission School Bus Program Support line at (415) 677-7160 or SchoolBusInfo@ICFI.com. Please RSVP prior to October 10, 2008.

The workshops will be held at the following locations:

Redding		Santa Maria	
DATE:	Tuesday, October 14, 2008	DATE:	Thursday, October 16, 2008
TIME:	11:00am - 1:00pm	TIME:	10:00am - 12:00pm
PLACE:	Shasta County Administration Center	PLACE:	Board of Supervisors' Hearing
	Training Room		Room
	1450 Court Street, Room# 352		511 E. Lakeside Parkway
	Redding, California 96001		Santa Maria, California 93455
El Monte		Sacramento*	
DATE:	Monday, October 20, 2008	DATE:	Wednesday, October 22, 2008
TIME:	11:00am - 1:00pm	TIME:	11:00am - 1:00pm
PLACE:	California Air Resources Board	PLACE:	California Air Pollution Control
	9480 Telstar Avenue, Suite 4		Officers Association Office
	El Monte, California 91731		980 Ninth Street, 2nd Floor
			Sacramento, California 95814
El Centro			
DATE:	Tuesday, October 21, 2008		
TIME:	6:00pm - 8:00pm		
PLACE:	Imperial County Offices		
	150 South 9 th Street		
	El Centro, California 92243		

The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our website: http://www.arb.ca.gov.

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For those unable to attend in person, a live internet broadcast (webex) will be available at our Sacramento workshop on October 22; however, the remaining workshops will not be webcast. Specific details on the webcast will be provided on the ARB website.

Information about the Lower-Emission School Bus Program can be found at http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/schoolbus/schoolbus.htm .

If you need disability-related accommodation, please go to: http://www.arb.ca.gov/html/ada/ada.htm, or contact the ADA Coordinator at (916) 323-4916.

If you are a person who needs assistance in a language other than English, please go to: http://www.arb.ca.gov/as/eeo/languageaccess.htm, or contact the Bilingual Coordinator at (916) 323-7053.

Sincerely,

/s/

Robert H. Cross, Chief Mobile Source Control Division